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SUBJ: OAU MEETINGS IN TANZANIA TO BEGIN JUNE 19

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SUMMARY: ETHIOPIAN MEDIA HAVE REPORTED THAT ORGANIZA-
TION OF AFRICAN UNITY (OAU) ETHIOPIA/SUDAN AD HOC
MEDIATION COMMITTEE WILL MEET IN DAR ES SALAAM BEGIN-
NING JUNE 19. AS REPORTED REFTEL (B), 31ST SESSION
OF OAU AFRICAN LIBERATION COMMITTEE (ALC) WILL CONVENE
IN SAME VENUE ON SAME DAY TO DRAFT ITS REPORT FOR OAU
SUMMIT IN KHARTOUM. END SUMMARY.

1. ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION TO OAU AD HOC MEDIATION COM-
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MITTEE MEETING DEPARTED FOR DAR ES SALAAM JUNE 17.
DELEGATION IS LED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY (MOFA) PERMSEC
MAJOR DAWIT WOLDE-GIORGIS AND INCLUDES MIN INTERIOR
PERMSEC COL. MERSHA KETSELA AND COL. TILAHUN SAHLE,
MOFA AFRICAN AND MIDEAST DEPT HEAD BERHANU DINKA,
ETHIOPIAN AMB TO SUDAN YILMA TADESSE, MOFA OFFICIAL
TEWOLDE BERHAN TAEZAZ AND MININFO OFFICIAL GHION

HAGOS. SINCE POSTPONEMENT OF MAY 16 NAIROBI MEETING OF AD HOC COMMITTEE, OAU, THROUGH COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN SIERRA LEONE, ARRANGED TO RESCHEDULE MEETING FOR JUNE 19. THIS DATE REPORTEDLY WAS NOT CONVENIENT FOR KENYAN GOVT AND SINCE "MOST OF MEDIATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE ALSO MEMBERS OF ALC" OAU DECIDED TO HOLD MEETING CONCURRENTLY IN DAR ES SALAAM. ETHIOPIAN MEDIA EXPECTS DAR MEETING WILL "PAVE WAY FOR FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS MADE IN FREETOWN."

2. COMMENT: MEETING WILL PROBABLY FULFILL OAU BUREAUCRATIC REQUIREMENT JUST PRIOR TO JULY SUMMIT TO DEMONSTRATE SOME "PROGRESS" IN HELPING "SOLVE THE MISUNDERSTANDING CREATED BETWEEN ETHIOPIA AND SUDAN" FOR WHICH AD HOC COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED PAST YEAR IN LIBREVILLE. CAUSE FOR POSTPONEMENT OF MAY 16 MEETING WAS SUDANESE UNWILLINGNESS TO MEET WITHOUT AN AGREED AGENDA BETWEEN THE TWO PRINCIPALS. IT IS UNCERTAIN WHETHER ONE HAS BEEN AGREED TO EVEN NOW, AND JUST MAY BE SUDANESE DESIRE TO AVOID RECRIMINATIONS AS OBSTACLE TO IMPROVED RELATIONS WHILE ACTING AS HOST FOR OAU SUMMIT.

3. OAU DELEGATION FROM SECRETARIAT TO 31ST SESSION OF ALC WILL BE LED BY OAU ADMIN SEC GEN WILLIAM ETEKI
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MBOUMOUA AND INCLUDE ASST SEC GEN FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS DR. PETER ONU AND SEVERAL RESIDENT AFRICAN AMBASSADORS. ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION WILL BE BERHANU DINKA AND MOFA OFFICIAL (MRS.) HIRUT HAILE, FOR AFRICAN AND MIDEAST DEPT. REPORTED PURPOSE OF ALC SESSION IS TO "STUDY REPORTS OF ITS STANDING COMMITTEES WHICH MET IN DAR ES SALAAM RECENTLY, AS WELL AS REPORTS OF THE LIBERATION MOVEMENTS." ALC WILL THEN DRAFT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION OF KHARTOUM SUMMIT.
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